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CONDENSATION

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In response to the outstanding Office action dated October 16, 2002, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks and respectfully request reconsideration thereof.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Amended) A method of making an electret comprising:

condensing vapor from the atmosphere of a controlled environment onto a dielectric article to form a condensate thereon, said dielectric article having a resistivity of greater than 10^{14} ohms-cm and being disposed in said controlled environment; and

drying the article to remove the condensate,
wherein the electret exhibits a persistent electric charge.

Please cancel claim 2.

18. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the controlled environment further comprises a liquid, and the method further comprises

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